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12<sup>TH</sup>, 13<sup>TH</sup>, 14<sup>TH</sup>

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THE  
LEAGUE XXII  
FINALS



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# **LEAGUE FINALS XXII**

## *FORMAL INVITATION*

**In its 22nd Anniversary Season in the year Two Thousand and Twenty Six,  
The League presents,  
The League Finals XXII at the Grand Sierra Resort Hotel Casino in Reno, Nevada!!**

**You are officially invited to The LEAGUE FINALS XXII, a gathering where only the most dedicated and powerful competitors will stand victorious over their Main Rivals.**

### **Who Should Join:**

- \* Sport Karate Competitors of all ages and ranks**
- \* Dojos and Teams ready to showcase their Fighting Spirit**

### **What To Expect:**

- \* A high-level, professionally run Championship Finale**
- \* Special Recognition for standout competitors**
- \* An opportunity to become a 2026 League Champion and stand in the Ring Of Honor - where only the strongest and most disciplined warriors stand**

# ***OPENING CEREMONIES***

***Friday, November 13th 10:00am***

***Step onto the scene - each team gets a powerful, dramatic intro. Dojo Teams will be encouraged to bring forth their best representation and dress uniformly in their Team attire. Don't forget to bring your Team Banners so you can showcase your group presence! Submit your Team Entrance Music and walk on stage with your Team and start your weekend competition in grandeur stylishness. Teams must report to the Staging Area by 10:00am, Friday November 13th in order to partake in the Ceremonial Entrance. Show your Team Pride and ARRIVE EARLY to be a part of the memorable ceremony!***

## ***THE ALL STARS AWARDS***

***Only the elite make into this legendary squad. A select group of elite League Competitors will receive an honorable recognition for their incredible season performances throughout the year and receive an All League All Star Honor.***

## ***OATH: STRENGTH, WILL, RESPECT***

***A pledge to give their all with respect and honor will be delivered. An Honorary League Competitor & League Official will have the bestowed privilege for reciting the Athletic Competitive Oath & Officials Oath of Fairness.***

## ***LET THE BATTLES BEGIN!***

***The arena opens, and all limits are off. A revered honoree will make the Commencement Announcement and open the League Finals XXII.***



## ***Closing Ceremonies***

***Saturday, November 14th 6:00pm***

### ***Recognizing Competitors***

***Honoring those who competed hard through qualifiers, displayed heart and skill. Competitors who amassed their respective Minimum Qualifying Point Totals in their respective Conferences will be awarded with a keepsake award for their valiant efforts during the 2026 Regular Season.***

### ***The Honor Circle***

***The League Governing Body will announce deserving martial artists worthy of MVP Honors and Conference Player of the Year Honors.***

### ***A Showcase Of Competitors:***

***This is for top-level martial artists ready to inspire. The Weekends finest talent will be selected to showcase their Kata and Fighting Skills on Stage in thrilling exhibition displays.***

### ***Championship Rings Awarded***

***Ring ceremony, this ring symbolizes a warrior's rise to the top. Valiant Champions will be honored in triumphant victory with a Championship Title Ring. Those who prove themselves worthy will be honored with a League Finals Title Award and introduced to the Closing Ceremony Audience.***

# ***SCHEDULE OF EVENTS***

## ***THURSDAY, November 12th, 5:00pm***

- 4:00pm Registration Opens
- 5:00pm Demo Team on Stage, Synchronized Katas, Self Defense, & Flag Sparring



## ***FRIDAY, November 13th, 10:00am***

- 7:30am Registration Opens
- 9:00am Judges, Coordinators, Scorekeepers Meeting in Main Ballroom
- 10:00am Teams/Players/Coaches/Officials convene in Main Ballroom
- 11:00am Opening Ceremonies begins
- 11:30am Competition Begins
- \* Traditional Forms & Traditional Weapon Forms
  - \* Creative/Musical Forms & Creative/Musical Weapons Forms
  - \* First Timer's Forms / Handi-Capable Forms
  - \* Royal Cup Kata Divisions
  - \* Chess Sparring
- Time TBA **“NEXT GENERATION FINALE”** Jr. Underbelt Forms Grands

## ***SATURDAY, November 14th, 9:00am***

- 8:00am Registration Opens
- 8:30am Judges, Coordinators, Scorekeepers Meeting in Main Ballroom
- 9:00am **Competition Begins**
- \* First Timer's Sparring
  - \* Point Sparring / Open Rank/Weight Sparring / Tag Team Sparring
  - \* Royal Cup Sparring Divisions
- 5:00pm Preferred Seating opens for Pre-Paid Reserved VIP Tables
- 5:30pm Competitors/Spectators report at Main Ballroom Front Door for Open Seating
- 6:00pm **CLOSING CEREMONIES**



# PLAYER SEEDING

All League Finals XXII Seedings will be set on **Saturday, November 1st, 2026**. Please submit and report any Point Discrepancies or manual point submissions by this date. All points will be finalized and posted on the League Website: [www.TheLeagueMA.com](http://www.TheLeagueMA.com)

Competitors who participated in the 2026 League Regular Season Events can view their seedings in each division on the website under the 'Ratings' Link.

The 2026 League Finals XXII will feature athletes from different Conferences across the Americas. The League established Conferenes to its 2026 Season Schedule including: All 50 of The United States, Canada, Mexico, Central America and South America.

## **WE WELCOME ALL COMPETITORS THAT COMPETE IN OTHER CIRCUITS**

Kata Divisions will feature the "Seed Preference" element, while there will be "Double Elimination" for seeded players in Point Sparring Divisions.

The Order of Performance in Kata Divisions in the Finals will be determined by Seed Preference. This means the #1 seed in each Kata Division will have 1st choice as far as when they perform their kata (perform first, second, third, etc.). After, the #2 seed chooses their performance position, followed by the #3 seed, etc..

Wildcard Seeds in katas will be randomly placed in the remaining positions by the Ring Coordinator.

In Point Sparring, all seeded players receive Double Elimination status. This means they must lose twice before being officially eliminated from the Division.

The "Wildcard" option will be at play in Point Sparring as well. A competitor who falls below the Finals Qualifying Requirement will enter the LF XXII as a Wildcard Seed. A Wildcard Seed has the lowest possible seed in each division. Wildcards are eligible to compete for a Divisional Title. They only receive SINGLE ELIMINATION status throughout all rounds in sparring.

First Timer's Sparring and First Timer's Kata is a No-Seeded Random Drawing Division.



# NEW VIP SEATING ON THE COMPETITION FLOOR



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PURPOSES ONLY

## GET RIGHT UP NEXT TO THE RING

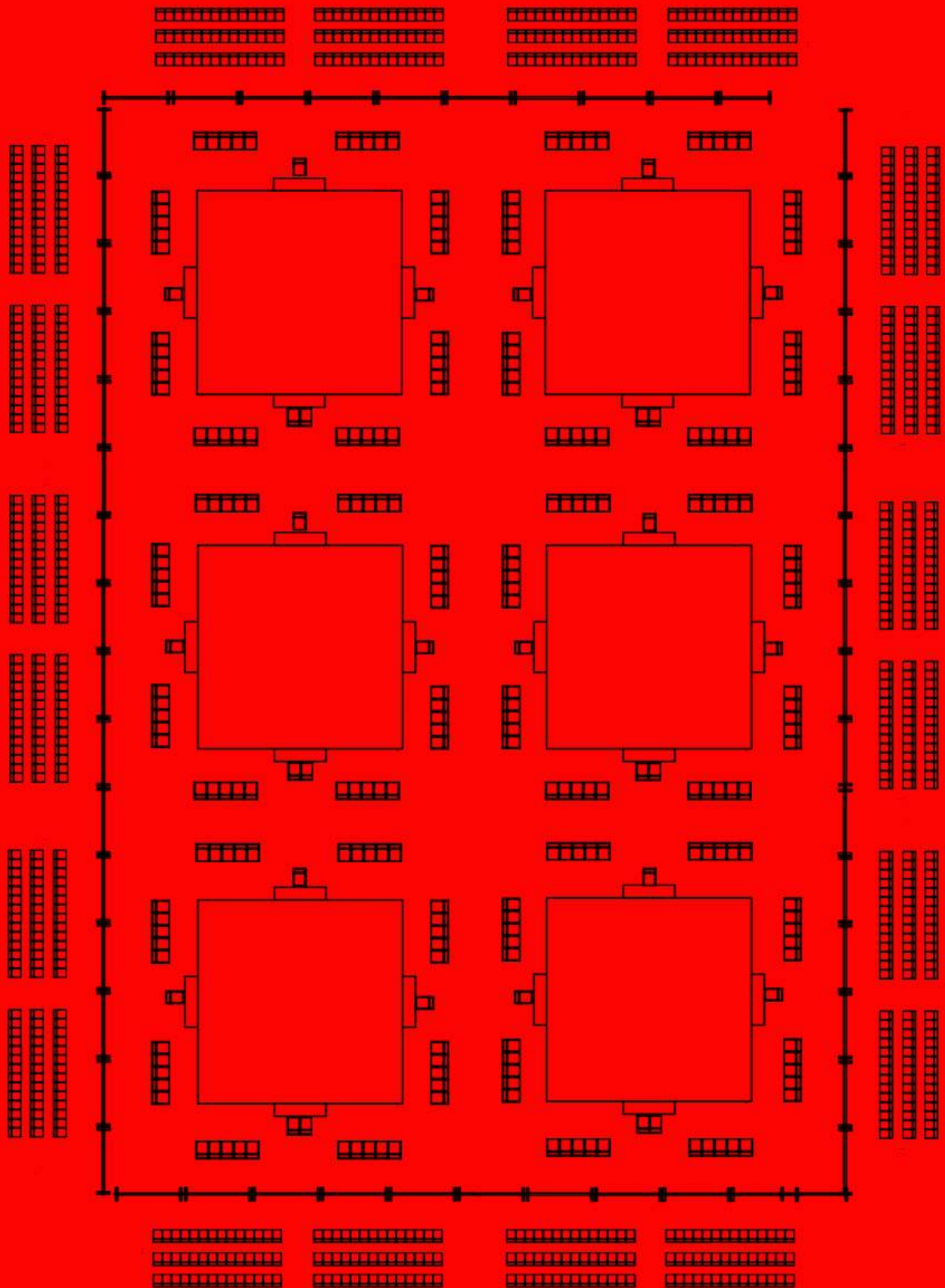
# *Saturday Night Time Finals*

*VIP Seating  
Now Available*

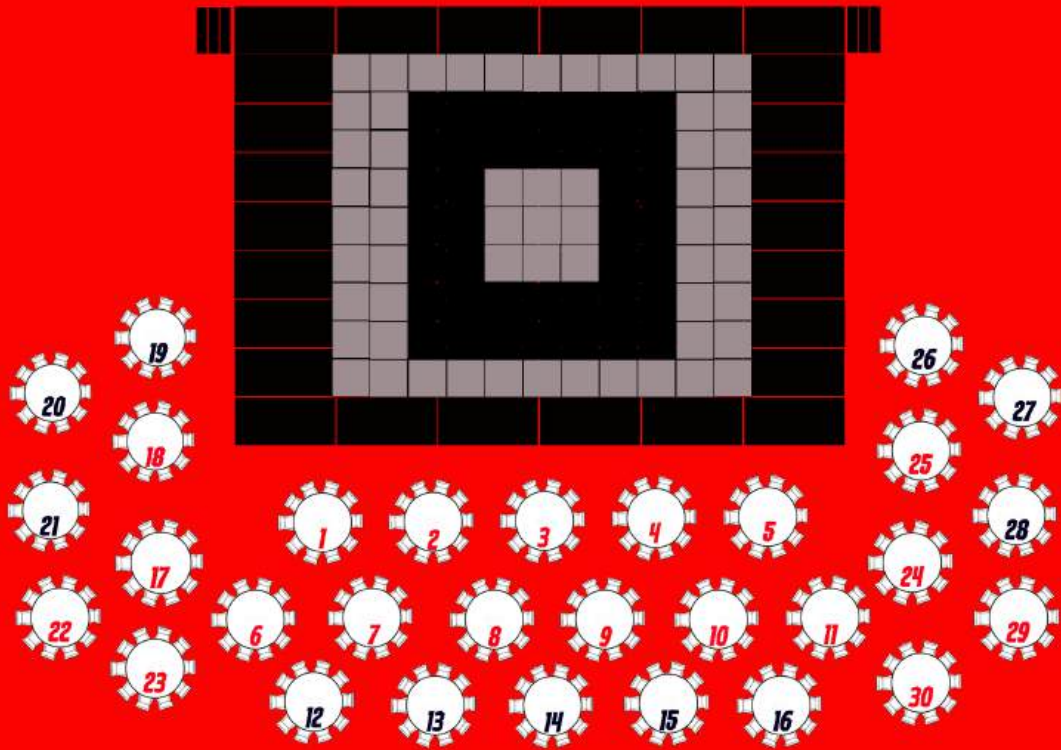
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information on reserving your tables.*

**TONY.KATTENGELL@GMAIL.COM**

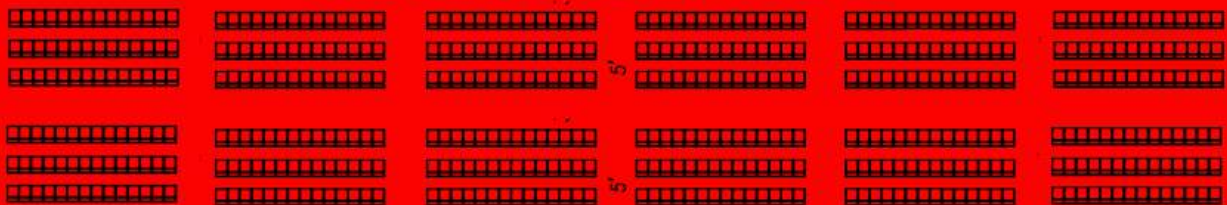




FRIDAY & SATURDAY DAYTIME ELIMINATION RINGS



## GENERAL SEATING



FRIDAY NIGHT  
 NEXT GENERATION  
 FINALE  
 &  
 SATURDAY NIGHT  
 LEAGUE FINALS XXI  
 SEATING

# Referee/Staff Meetings Main Stage Area

Friday, November 13th, 2026 at 9:00 am      Saturday, November 14th, 2026 at 8:00 am

To Reserve an Officiating Chair in our League Finals XXII for  
Traditional Katas, Creative/Extreme Katas, Point Sparring,  
please email President Sean Dumlao at [theleaguema@gmail.com](mailto:theleaguema@gmail.com)  
Please make your commitments by October 15th, 2026 for Finals Officiating Training purposes.

If you are interested in being part of and certified for the LEAGUE FINALS XXI staff, please email:  
Sean Dumlao before October 15th, 2026.

## Check In

1. Referee/Staff shirt and information packet.
2. Referee/Staff meeting Friday, Nov. 13th at 9:00 am / Saturday, Nov. 14th at 8:00 am
3. Snack/Refreshments will be provided at the event.

## Responsibilities

1. Referee/Staff meeting will be conducted on the main stage for Friday and Saturday morning
2. Referee/Staff will be pre-assigned to competition rings. please be on time at your assigned ring when competition begins.
3. Assigned back-up officials will be available to relieve other referee/staff if necessary.
4. Follow 2026 league rules and guidelines. discuss all issues with chief arbitrator.
5. Provide fair and absolute unbiased attention to the competitor.
6. Be present for the "Opening Ceremony" for officials introduction.
7. Referee/Staff must wear assigned attire outlined below.

## Dress Code & Etiquettes

1. Referee / Staff formal attire provided/outlined by the event coordinators.
2. Long dark pants or black gi pants ( no jeans or shorts please.)
3. Dark shoes please.
4. Unacceptable attire includes : Hats, Beanies, Sunglasses, Non-Referee Shirts,  
\*\*\***ESPECIALLY HOODIES & BASEBALL CAPS or BEANIES**\*\*\*
5. **All referee will wear polo shirts and tuck in pants (NO EXCEPTIONS)**

We would like to extend our appreciation to Staff, Scorekeepers, and Referees who donate their time and martial arts expertise throughout the 2026 League Season. The success of our League Finals XXII is contingent upon capable Judges and Scorekeepers and Coordinators to yet again bring their knowledge and capability of the Rulebook to our Finals.

Thank you for your HARD WORK & LOYAL SUPPORT

# Coach / Instructor Pass Information

## Coaching:

1. Only one coach will be allowed in the coaching corner and they must show a coaching pass and wristband to access this area.  
(Coaches are only allowed on the floor when fighter is ready to fight, if caught not coaching a fighter your coach pass will be revoked.)  
(No Coaching allowed in Katas.)  
(Musical Kata Competitors may designate on person to operate music when needed.)  
**(NO EXCEPTIONS)**
2. All Coaches must pay for a Coach Pass to be allowed to coach.  
**( YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT TONY KATTENGELL )**
3. For liability , Coaches are to be ADULTS at least 18 yrs of age, and only can coach their own school or team members.  
**(NO EXCEPTIONS, ADULTS ONLY CAN COACH)**  
**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT TONY KATTENGELL**
4. A chair will be placed on two ends of the ring for coaches - one for each competitor's coach. The coach must remain seated, and moving the chair from its predetermined location in NOT ALLOWED.
5. Coaches must obey the referee's commands at all times. Failure to follow these rules may result in Penalty of the Competitor being coach!
6. Just to remind everyone, three penalties will result in Disqualification.
7. The following activities from a coach may result in a penalty:

**\* Arguing with the referee for any reason or about Scores**



**THE LEAGUE REGISTRATION WAIVER FORM  
FOR COACHES / INSTRUCTORS**

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First: \_\_\_\_\_ M/ F: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate:    /    /   

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ ST: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Ph: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Ph: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Instructor: \_\_\_\_\_ Team: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ School Ph: \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING**

I, hereby waive any and all rights or claims I may have against THE LEAGUE., It's staff, vendor's, volunteers or Sponsors. All THE LEAGUE Tournament Promoters, all THE LEAGUE Sanctioned Tournaments, and all their agents, servants & employees, and I hereby release & discharge them from any and all claims resulting from injuries, including death, damages or loss, which may accrue to me or my heirs arising out of or in any way connected with my attendance &/or participation at any THE LEAGUE sanctioned event. I represent and warrant that I am physically and mentally fit, able to participate, & I do hereby assume responsibility for my own well-being, understanding that participation involves bodily contact. I have read, understand and agree to abide by THE LEAGUE rules associated with THE LEAGUE events & assume all responsibility & any liability for infringement of such rules & agree to accept the tournament arbitrator's decision as final. I consent to allow any reproductions of me or likeness created in any manner whatsoever, photographed, filmed or video taped in connection with THE LEAGUE events which can be used for instruction, publicity, promotion or television broadcast & I waive any & all compensation in regards thereto. I agree that I have obtained permission form the artist's of any music I use in conjunction with my competition & verify by signing this permission that in doing such, I will indemnify, defend & hold harmless all the above named parties from any liability for use of such music & that this artist's permission permits the above named parties to use such music in recorded performances of myself for instructional purposes, publicity, promotion, video &/or televised broadcast & I waive any & all compensation for such.

**COACHES / INSTRUCTORS MUST SIGN THIS WAIVER** \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature Assuming responsibility if under 18

# GRAND SIERRA RESORT & CASINO HOTEL RESERVATIONS

*Rooms will sell out FAST!*

*Don't wait until the last minute to reserve your Rooms for The League Finals!!*

***RESERVE YOUR ROOMS BY OCTOBER 27TH.***

**PLEASE READ AND UNDERSTAND IMPORTANT NOTE:**

*Attendees MUST STAY at these RESORT CASINO Hotels or pay \$75.00 more per division when registering (except local attendees). The Resorts is a vital component to the success of the LEAGUE FINALS.*

*We cannot provide the spacious venue for the tournament and the Family Amenities and Activities the Hotel offers without the support of our attendees staying at the hotel.*

Online Link: <https://book.passkey.com/go/TLGF26>

**Address:**

2500 E. 2nd St.

Reno, NV 89595

Phone Reservations: 800-648-5080

Group Code: TLGF26

**Rates For The GRAND SIERRA Rooms:**

**\*Wednesday, Nov. 11th: \$69/night**

**\*Thursday, Nov. 12th: \$69/night**

**\*Friday, Nov. 13th: \$129/night**

**\*Saturday, Nov. 14th: \$129/night**

**\*\*PLUS TAXES AND FESS\*\***

**Please note our room block is not eligible for Saturday arrivals.**

**You must arrive before Saturday**



*In the heart of Reno, Grand Sierra Resort stands as the pinnacle of luxury and excitement in the region. Recently awarded Reno's Best Overall Gaming Resort, we offer an expansive array of slot machines, table games and a cutting-edge sports book. But our offerings extend far beyond the casino floor. Our award-winning restaurants promise culinary experiences that will delight even the most discerning taste buds. For entertainment, look no further than the Grand Theatre and LEX Nightclub, where the hottest acts and parties in town await. When it's time to relax, our serene spa provides a sanctuary to melt away the stresses of everyday life. Families will find endless fun at Fun Quest, while our poolside oasis and hot tubs offer a perfect escape. With its central location, Grand Sierra Resort is your gateway to all that Northern Nevada has to offer.*



## **\*About GRAND SIERRA Resort & Casino,**

**The award-winning Grand Sierra Resort features nearly 2,000 hotel rooms and suites, the largest casino floor in northern Nevada at 100,000 square feet, and the best entertainment and nightlife offerings in Reno.**

**Located minutes from the Reno-Tahoe International airport and in the heart of the Truckee Meadows, GSR is ideally positioned to explore all the region has to offer while providing everything you need in one convenient location. Whether you are visiting on vacation, attending an event or conference, or seeking the best in entertainment, dining and gaming, welcome to the grandest destination in Reno!**

### **Grand Sierra Resort & Casino**

**2500 E 2nd St**

**Reno, NV 89595**

**Phone Number**

**800.501.2651**

### **\* Resort Fee**

**A \$30.00 resort fee plus 13% tax will be charged per room per night. Resort Fee includes complimentary access to our 24-hour Fitness Center, The Pool, unlimited local and toll-free phone calls, two bottles of water and coffee in room daily, beverage refrigerator and in-room safe, boarding pass printing services located at the Bell Desk, computer access in the Business Center 24 hours a day with your room key, valet and self-parking, roundtrip airport shuttle service, and virtual guest service assistance.**

### **\*Amenities**

**Each guest room at Grand Sierra Resort is thoughtfully equipped with modern amenities, ensuring a comfortable and convenient stay.**

**\*WIFI Internet**

**\*Flat Screen TV**

**\*Views**

**\*In-Room Safe**

**\*Coffe Maker**

**\*Serta Perfect Sleeper Mattress**

**\*Hair Dryer**

**\*Business Center**

**\*Fitness Center**

**\*In-Room Dining**

**\*Airport Shuttle**

**\*The Pool**

**\*Spa & Wellness**

**\*Shopping**