

Connecticut State Chess Association

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Presents

CHESS & ART:

“Checkmate in 5: From Vision to Victory”

Concept and Creation by Ashley the Creator

**Art Exhibition with Over-the-Board Rapid Arena Tournament;
Original Artist Work as First Place Prize; Trophies & CSCA Event Credit**

Sponsored by

**Ashley
the
Creator**



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PARKVILLE MARKET

Date/Time: Saturday, August 16, 2025
[Register here!](#) (\$30 online by August 15 OR \$40 on site)

Location: Parkville Market, 1400 Park Street, Hartford, CT 06106

Format: 1 PM to 3 PM – **Over-the-board Rapid (G/10+3, 20 min game) Arena Tournament**
An Arena is a duration tournament. Everyone will play as many games as they can for two hours. Pairings happen on availability of opponents in accordance with scoring. *Berserk* (bonus for using half or less of your game time) and *Streaks* (bonus for getting three or more wins in a row) are included in scoring. [Read about Arena Rules, generally, [here](#).]

Top 2 move on to G/25+5 (one hour game) Final on Artist-created Board for the Artist's Original Work Trophy. (Other prizes below.) Tie break order in Arena standings is head-to-head and number of wins. If still tied, Armageddon game will be played.

3 PM to 4 PM – Artist's Pre-Final Presentation

ALL players are invited for the Art Exhibition and Curation by the Artist while Arena results are tabulated. Top 5 will be announced.

4 PM to 5 PM – Final Match & Award Presentation

The top 2 players from the Arena will play a G/25+5 match before spectators on the Artist-created Board. If the match continues beyond 5 PM, it will be transferred to a regular board and completed there. Awards will be presented as soon as the final is completed.

Prizes: Event winner receives a Trophy Created by the Artist. Places 2 through 5 receive CSCA placement trophies. All participants receive CSCA entry credit of \$20 toward any CSCA event on or before December 31, 2025. See [CSCA Calendar of Events](#).

Questions about event? Email events.CSCA@gmail.com.

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- Competitive Chess Matches
for Original Art Trophy
- Art Installation & Live Painting
- Custom Cocktails
& more

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- 2-hour Open Rapid Arena-style competition from 1 to 3 PM (play as many games as possible for highest score within competition time)
- Top 2 play a final match for the Original Art prize;
- Top 5 in the Arena receive Connecticut State Chess Association (CSCA) trophies; and All players receive \$20 entry credit certificates to CSCA tournaments through December 31, 2025.

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