LAUSANNE

A city in the [French-speaking part of Switzerland](#), and the capital and biggest city of the [canton](#) of [Vaud](#). The city is situated on the shores of [Lake Geneva](#) (french: *Lac Léman*, or simply *Le Léman*), in Switzerland which hosted the **FIDE World Championship 1998 Final Match Karpov-Anand**.

In 2020, Lausanne welcomed reigning Women's World Chess Champion, **Ju Wenjun** from China in a **FIDE Grand Prix** (round robin), including also three former female World Champions.

Between 1999 and 2006 the **Lausanne Young Masters** was a prominent yearly event where eight of the best world juniors were invited to compete in an eight-player two-game match competition, with the losers going into play-offs to decide the overall order.

Winners of the international **Lausanne Youth Masters** (LYM)
seven editions, held annually from 1999 to 2006, without 2002

1999 Etienne Bacrot (first edition)
2000 Alexander Grischuk
2001 Lazaro Bruzon
2003 Luke McShane (5. **Sergey Karjakin**)
2004 Luke McShane (5. **Magnus Carlsen**)
2005 Andrei Volokitin (5. **Magnus Carlsen**)
2006 Maxime Vachier-Lagrave (last edition)

Photo: David Burnier, LYM 2000

Le MF ukrainien Andrei Volokitin a réalisé une norme de GM

Further prominent young, promising players in the Lausanne Youth Masters (LYM):

Ponomariov, Kasimdzhanov, Aronian, Asrian (R.I.P.) Gashimov (RI.P.), Mamedyarov, Nakamura, Naiditsch, Navara, Wojtaszek, Fressinet, Predojevic, Ghaem Maghami, Sasikiran, Harikrishna, Wang Yue, Bu Xiangzhi, Leitão, amongst others, and Alexandra Kosteniuk, Humpy Koneru, Kateryna Lahno, Tatiana Kosintseva, Elisabeth Pähtz, Nana Dzagnidze, plus from Switzerland: Yannick Pelletier, Florian Jenni, Severin Papa (for the Open and a side event see further down)

Photo: Jonathan Jaccard, LYM 2005

Le prodige Magnus Carlsen à Lausanne (LYM)

Photo: Jean-François Croset, LYM 2003

Le plus jeune GM de tous les temps pendant longtemps,
Sergey Karjakin, à 13 ans

From 1999 on to 2013, the event offered also a tournament open to all participants (swiss system).

➔ Winners of the international **Lausanne Open**

1999 Mark Hebden, 89 players (first edition)
2000 Mladen Palac, 87 players
2001 Petar Genov (on tie-break, then IM, leaving behind > 20 GMs), 114 players
2002 no tournaments
2003 Vladislav Borovikov (on tie-break), 133 players
2004 Vladimir Lazarev (on tie-break), 130 players
2005 Namig Guliyev (on tie-break), 140 players
2006 Daniel Fridman, 128 players
2007 WIM (later WGM) **Pauline Guichard**, France, clear first,
        ahead of GMs like Gheorghiu or Gallagher, 87 players
2008 Alexandre Dgebuadze (on tie-break), 95 players
2009 Sebastian Siebrecht, 84 players
2010 Alexandre Dgebuadze (on tie-break), 96 players
2011 Christian Bauer, 97 players
2012 Tigran Gharamian (on tie-break), 89 players
2013 Andrei Istratescu, 90 players (last edition)

Pauline Guichard, la gagnante du tournoi open en 2007
Photo: FIDE player card, https://ratings.fide.com/card.phtml?event=639370

MI Andreas Huss, la légende lausannoise
Photo: Jean-François Croset, LYM 2003

From 2003 to 2006, an additional side event as a closed invitational (round robin) has been played.

Winners of the international invitation side event at Lausanne «Maîtres vs Éspoirs»
2003 IM (GM 2005) Alexander Raetsky
2004 GM Vladimir Tukmakov (better tie-break), and GM Cyril Marcelin (born in 1979, GM 2002)
2005 GM Vladimir Tukmakov
2006 GM Vladimir Tukmakov

Vue de la scène du Young Masters
Photo: David Burnier, LYM 2000

Le vainqueur du Lausanne Young Masters 2000, le Russe Alexander Grischuk
Photo: David Burnier, LYM 2000

Le Lucernois Oliver Kurmann réalise une norme de MI au «Maîtres vs Espoirs»
Photo: Michel Piguet, LYM 2006

Double vainqueur du Young Masters, l'Anglais Luke McShane
Photo: Jean-François Croset, LYM 2003

Archives (Open and Lausanne Young Masters LYM) 1999-2013:
http://www.lausanneyoungmasters.com/archives.html